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Kaua'i Bus to extend weeknight hours and offer Sunday bus service

LĪHU'E – In an effort to reduce traffic congestion and the use of fossil fuels, as well as meet the growing need for increased public transportation, county officials plan to extend the hours of operation for The Kaua'i Bus and offer Sunday bus service starting next month.

Funding for the expansion was unanimously approved by the County Council on Wednesday.

"Based on discussions with the community, County Council and the Transit Advisory Committee, we developed a plan to expand our public transportation services incrementally," said Mayor Bernard Carvalho, Jr. "Now we're ready to implement the latest phase, which we hope will address the demand for expanded bus services and encourage more people to ride The Kaua'i Bus."

Beginning Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, several bus routes will run later on weeknights including: Route 100, Kekaha to Līhu'e; Route 200, Līhu'e to Kekaha; Route 400, Hanalei to Līhu'e; Route 500, Līhu'e to Hanalei; Route 30, Kōloa shuttle; Route 60, Kapahi shuttle; and Route 70, Līhu'e shuttle.

A week later on Feb. 20, the Sunday bus service will start with the hours of operation being the same as Saturdays and holidays.

The weeknight bus schedules will expand tremendously.

Anyone heading to Kekaha from Līhu'e in the evening will be able to catch a route 200 bus, which will begin at Wal-Mart at 7:30, 8:30 and 9:30 pm.

Those going in the opposite direction will be able to catch a route 100 bus, which will originate at the Elepaio Road/Akialoa Road bus stop in Kekaha at 7:30 and 8:30 pm and head to Līhu'e.

Additionally, the hours of the north shore bus routes will also be extended, and riders will have the option of taking a route 500 bus, which will begin at Kaua'i Community College at 7:25, 8:25 and 9:25 pm destined for Hanalei.

Those travelling from Hanalei to Līhu'e will be able to catch a route 400 bus, which will originate at the old Hanalei Courthouse at 7:15 and 8:15 pm.

Other changes that will take effect on Feb. 14 are extended hours for three shuttle routes: Kōloa route 30; Kapahi route 60; and Līhu'e route 70.

The Kapahi shuttle, which runs a circular route stopping at various points in Kapa'a and Kapahi, will have two buses added to its schedule, 7:33 and 9:33 pm.

The Kōloa shuttle, a circular route between Kōloa, Po'ipū and Kalāheo, will also have two buses added to its schedule, 7:31 and 9:31 pm.

The Līhu'e shuttle, which traverses the Līhu'e business district and the airport, will have three buses added, 6:55, 7:55 and 8:55 pm.

Bus schedules are available on all county buses and at a number of businesses around the island including Big Save, Kukui Grove Center and Safeway.

Updated bus schedules that reflect the latest changes will be available on the county website, www.kauai.gov, starting Sunday, Feb. 13.

For more information about The Kaua'i Bus, please log on to the county website or call 241-6410.

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